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THREE CENTS

## Meehl-Bassette

In Mount Hermon School Chapel on Wednesday, June 11, in the afternoon took place the wedding of Miss Jean G. Bassette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Bassette of Mount Hermon and William E. Meehl, a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Meehl of Middletown, Conn., with whom he makes his home. The ceremony was by Rev. Albert Buchanan, the school chaplain.

The bride was attended by Mrs. Leo Netter of Seaford, L. I., as matron of honor and by Miss Audrey Stevens, student at Middlebury College, Miss Alma Finelli, student at Bates College, Miss Joan Thompson, student at New London College for Women, and Miss Elizabeth Bryan of Watertown, Conn., a cousin, as bridesmaids.

Joseph Meehl, brother of the bridegroom, served as best man, while John and David Meehl, brothers, and Buell and John D. Bassette, Jr., brothers of the bride, were ushers.

The bride wore white chiffon trimmed with lace, a veil and carried a bouquet of stephanotis and forget-me-nots. The matron of honor wore yellow taffeta, while two of the bridesmaids wore pink taffeta and two, green taffeta. The attendants carried roses.

Miss Joanne Williams, a Bates College friend, sang "Because" and at the end of the ceremony, the "Northfield Benediction." Following the ceremony there was a reception for 225 in the garden at the home of the bride. Four Bates College friends, the Misses Vassar, Ribereau, Reuter, and Bayer, assisted the couple. Supper was served to out-of-town guests and relatives later in the afternoon.

The bride, a graduate of Northfield School for Girls, has been attending Bates College.

The bridegroom, a graduate of Mount Hermon School, has been studying at Ohio State University and in the fall will be enrolled at Cornell. He served as a marine in the recent war.

## Patnode-Cembalisty

Mrs. Ruth (Phelps) Cembalisty of this town, widow of the late Sergt. Albert Cembalisty, who was killed while serving in the Air Corps in February, 1945, was married Thursday, June 12, to Leroy H. Patnode of Greenfield by the Rev. George K. Carter at his home on the Leyden Road in Greenfield. The attendants were Miss Betty Phelps of Northfield and John Edward Phelps of Greenfield, sister and brother of the bride.

Mr. Patnode served for six years in the Navy through the recent war and is employed in Greenfield. Following the ceremony a brief reception was held and the couple left for a trip through the White Mountains.

## Alexander-Mayberry

A very pretty wedding took place at Mount Hermon on Saturday afternoon, June 14, when Miss Verna Mayberry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mayberry was married to Edmund Alexander, son of Dr. and Mrs. T. Alexander of Cairo, Egypt. The ceremony was at the home of the bride's parents with Dr. Howard Rubendahl, officiating.

The house was decorated with bouquets of garden flowers. The wedding march from "Lohengrin" was played by Miss Carol Smith.

The ushers were Louis E. Smith and Paul Mayberry, brother of the bride.

The bride wore a gown of white net over taffeta, the bodice having a sweetheart neckline outlined with seed pearls. She wore a shoulder-length veil with Juliet cap and carried a bouquet of white roses and stephanotis with a white orchid in the center.

The matron of honor wore a gown of blue net over taffeta and carried mixed spring flowers. The bride's mother wore a grey crepe dress, with lace and a corsage of yellow roses.

A reception followed in Social Hall on the campus of Mount Hermon School and decorations were of laurel and garden flowers.

Mrs. Stanley Tenney presided over the refreshments with Mrs. Harold H. Butler and Mrs. William Bertsche pouring.

After the reception the couple left on their honeymoon trip, and upon their return will make their home with the bride's parents at Mount Hermon.

The bride is a graduate of the Northfield School for Girls and Barnard College, Columbia University. The groom is a graduate of the American University of Cairo and the school of law, University of Paris. He is a member of the faculty of Mount Hermon School.

## Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. James Harrington McAfee of Portland, Maine, announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Martha, to Robert Raymond Chapin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Chapin of Northfield. Miss McAfee was graduated from the Northfield School for Girls and is attending the University of Massachusetts.

Mr. Chapin was graduated from the Mt. Hermon School and is attending the University of Massachusetts. The wedding will take place in Grace Church in Amherst on the sixth of September.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin W. Thompson have left California and are on their way by motor across the continent to their summer home here on Rustic Ridge. They spent the winter in Oregon and California.

## Conferences Begin

The Northfield Summer Conference season opened here Wednesday evening when 350 delegates to the Girls' Conference met for the opening session of their 8-day gathering on the campus of Northfield School for Girls.

For the first time since 1941, a full summer program is scheduled here including the General Conference, which will meet August 2 to 11. Founded by D. L. Moody in 1880, this conference will present a group of widely-known speakers including Dr. Stanley High, Dr. Adam W. Burnet, Dr. Reinhold Niebuhr, Dr. Paul D. Moody and Dr. Carl H. Kopf. Dr. William E. Park is chairman.

Other conferences on the summer program are: Missionary Conference, June 27 to July 5; Conference of Religious Education, July 7 to July 16; Massachusetts Christian Endeavor Conference, July 19 to 26, and United Presbyterian Eastern Summer Conference, July 26 to August 2.

Mr. and Mrs. John Laestadius of Jamaica, N. Y., have arrived at the cottage of her mother in Mountain Park to spend their vacation. Their young son, John, Jr., is with them.

The Friendly Class of the Congregational Church held a picnic supper at the fireplace on the grounds of the Northfield Hotel last Monday evening.

On Tuesday evening, July 8, there will be an important gathering of the members of the Congregational Church at which time tentative sketches will be shown of the new church and its location. The meeting marks the first anniversary of the Building Fund.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar E. Coburn whose summer home is in Mountain Park will leave for a short stay next week for Mount Vernon, N. Y., where they will observe the 50th anniversary of their wedding.

## Museum Openings

The president of the Historical Society, Miss Elsie Scott, announces that the museum on Pine Street will be open to the public on the following dates: Sunday, June 29 from 3 to 5 o'clock with free admission; Friday, July 11th, Hobby Show with a charge for admission; Wednesday, July 23 from 3 to 5 o'clock with free admission. Two dates will be available for visitation in August. Joseph R. Colton, the curator, has arranged the many exhibits in an attractive manner and has had the valuable assistance of several interested members.

## Stephen-Scholten

Miss Elaine Sylvia Scholten, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. George B. Scholten of Neshanic, N. J., and Rustic Ridge, became the bride of Mr. Paul B. Stephan, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul B. Stephan of Syracuse, N. Y., in the Neshanic Reformed Church on June 14th at 4 o'clock. The ceremony was performed by the bride's father.

Attendants were Miss Frances Scholten, sister of the bride, maid of honor, and Miss Rosaline Scholten, another sister, Miss Marjorie Merwin, Mrs. Norman Dunbar, and Mrs. Jeffery Wilersum, bridesmaids. Mr. Philip Stephan was best man for his brother.

A reception in the parsonage followed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Stephan are spending their wedding trip in New England.

Mrs. Stephan is a graduate of the Northfield School for Girls, class of 1941, and Hope College. She is a granddaughter of Mrs. John A. Otte. Mr. Stephan graduated from Mount Hermon in 1938. He graduated from Yale University and spent 3½ years in the AAF. He is now attending Yale Graduate School. The couple will live in New Haven, Conn.

## Retires In September

Rev. Dr. Arthur L. Berger, pastor of Elmwood Presbyterian Church in Syracuse, N. Y., will retire from the ministry of the church as of September 1st upon approval of the Syracuse Presbytery. On June 11th he observed the 40th anniversary of his ordination which led him in pastorates at New Hurley, N. Y.; Stillwater, N. Y.; Lake George, N. Y.; Whitehall, N. Y.; and to a chaplaincy in World War I. He served as instructor in the School for Chaplains at Camp Zachary Taylor in Kentucky and now has completed 21 years of service with his present church. His congregation numbers 1,431 members. Mr. Berger is president of the Rustic Ridge Association here and has been a summer resident with his wife for many years. Mr. Berger will devote some of his time to writing and will be available for preaching services and addresses whenever the opportunity affords.

## Consider Your Pets

If you plan to move or to go on a vacation, please give forethought to whatever arrangement you intend to make for the care of any pet you may have, dog, cat, bird, or other animal.

Animals, cats in particular, have an uncanny sense of detecting any disruption of their normal routine. They may leave home or hide, then cannot be found when the family is ready to close the house; consequently, they are left behind to become strays or otherwise exposed to cruelty. Contrary to the belief held by many persons, domestic animals are not equipped to take care of themselves; they are dependent upon man to whom they look for protection.

A daily Vacation Bible School will be held at the Congregational Church mornings beginning Monday, July 7, and continuing to Wednesday, July 16.



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For four generations members of the Gilbert family have occupied the house in which he lived. He was active in the civic and political life of the town and had served the community in various capacities, only recently retiring from the Board of Registrars. He was engaged in the grain and feed business for his past 46 years. He was most gracious in his dealings with his fellow men and was honored and respected by all. He is survived by his wife and also a sister, Mrs. Rollin Bascom. Several cousins also are survived.

The funeral was held at his home last Sunday afternoon with Rev. Joseph W. Reeves of the Congregational Church officiating and burial was in the family plot at the Farms Cemetery.


Mrs. L. L. Moody, former member of the faculty of the Northfield School for Girls who has been in St. Petersburg during the past winter, will spend the summer in Lancaster, Pa.

The annual picnic of the Sunday School of the Congregational Church will be held at Laurel Lake in Erving on Saturday, June 21. Automobiles are to leave from the church at 2:30 o'clock.

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#### Town Topics

Dr. William E. Park will deliver the Commencement address at the Orange High School on Thursday evening, June 19, at 8 o'clock. He will also be the preacher in Russell Sage Chapel on the Northfield campus Sunday, June 22, at 11 a.m. as guest of the Northfield Girls' Conference. Last Sunday, June 15, Dr. Park was the speaker at the Baccalaureate service at Wellesley College.

Through the efforts of Representative John Haselton some 10,000 small bass were secured from the Federal Government and were placed in the river last week with the assistance of the local Fish and Game Club.

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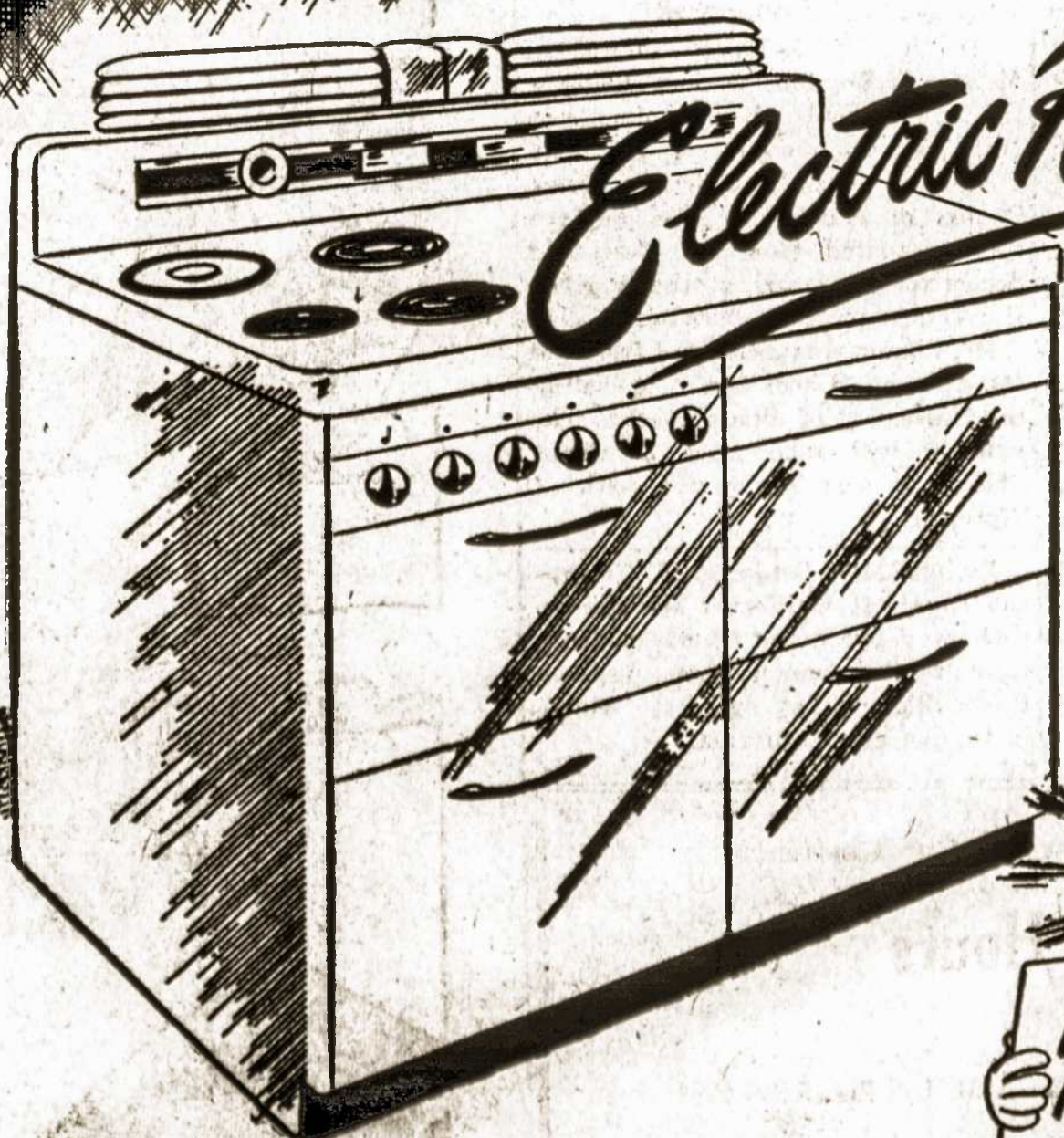
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The Flower Show of the Northfield Garden Club is rapidly approaching a reality in the forming and shaping of plans and will be held in the Chateau of the Northfield Hotel on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 19 and 20. The various committees which were appointed to have the matter in charge are holding meetings and proceeding with their work. A schedule of exhibits have already been adopted and affords an opportunity to all lovers of flowers to participate. Here is the schedule of exhibits:

#### Section A Arrangements:

Class 1 Arrangement of flowers in identical containers. Class 2 Arrangement of flowers in tones of yellow. Class 3 Arrangement of flowers and accessories in a horizontal picture frame with or without mirror background. Class 4 Arrangement of flowers floating in shallow container. Class 5 Arrangement of white flowers in a white container with one color accent. Class 6 Arrangement of flowers in a pair of vases. Class 7 Arrangement of flowers in a hanging wall vase. Class 8 Arrangement of flowers in a metal container. Class 9 Any arrangement of flowers in a miniature bouquet. Container not over 3 inches in height, and entire arrangement not over 5 inches. Class 11 Arrangement of flowers with gifts for a child.

#### Section B Blooms:

Class 12 three blooms or stalks of any variety. Class 13 Single rose in bottle. Class 14 Single dahlia in bottle. Class 15 Single zinnia in bottle.

#### Section C Potted Plants:

Class 16 Flowering plants. Class 17 Foliage plants. Class 18 Ferns. Class 19 Rare or unusual plants.

#### Section D: Flowers as I Like Them.

Section E: Branches or sprays bearing fruit or seed pods, wild or cultivated.

Section F: Natural bit of woodland in a tray.

Section G: Something new, or a recent introduction.

Section H: Best display of vegetables.

Section I: Men's Class. Arrangement of red and (or) yellow flowers.

Section J: Boy's and Girl's Class. Bouquets of wild or cultivated flowers.

Section K: Competitive arrangements in baskets from neighboring clubs.

Section L: Competitive displays of different local organizations.

Section M: Professional Exhibits.

Section N: Semi-professional Exhibits.

Section O: 4-H Club Exhibits.

Class 20 Flowers. Class 21 Vegetables.

### Town Topics

Mrs. Louise Barnes LaBella, who has been in St. Petersburg, Florida, and visiting in California during the past winter, has returned to town and will occupy the cottage on Rustic Ridge owned by her brother, Lincoln Wade Barnes of Amherst.

Rev. and Mrs. Mark Ray and family of Hawthorne, N. J., were recent arrivals at their cottage on the Ridge for a short stay. They plan to spend the month of August here on vacation.

### Town Topics

Mrs. Frank H. Montague and Mrs. L. P. Goodspeed attended the meeting of the Presidents Club of the State Federation Women's Club's 15th District at the home of Mrs. Myron Newton in Rowe on Thursday of last week.

Miss Fanny C. Hatch of Springfield and formerly of this town writes that she will spend the summer at the town of Mount Royal near Montreal in Canada this season.

Mr. and Mrs. David Berger and family of Syracuse, N. Y., will occupy the cottage "Loggia" of his parents on the Ridge for two weeks. He will arrive next week.

Mrs. Addie Chesbro of Osterville with Miss Grace Jubb of Levee, Arizona, will arrive soon to stay for the summer at Mrs. Chesbro's cottage on the Ridge.

Miss Julia Austin of Barre, Vt., formerly a teacher in our public schools, was greeted by local friends as she attended the 147th commencement at Middlebury College recently. Miss Austin attended the 20th reunion of her class. Miss Elsie Scott of the faculty of the Northfield School for Girls also attended the commencement at Middlebury and was one of 58 members of her class at its 25th year get-together and banquet.

Dr. Will H. Houghton, president of the Moody Bible Institute at Chicago, died June 14th at Los Angeles, Cal., where he had gone to benefit his health. He had been ill for a year and was 60 years of age. As a Baptist minister he was active in evangelistic work and had been very successful in his ministrations. He is survived by his wife.

An official bulletin has been issued in New Hampshire stating that the laurel blossoms are at their best now and starting at Fitzwilliam, routes for motoring are marked which will give the best views from the highways and through the attractive areas. In our own state, Westfield authorities invite all local friends to join the thousands who are now enjoying the blossoms in that section.

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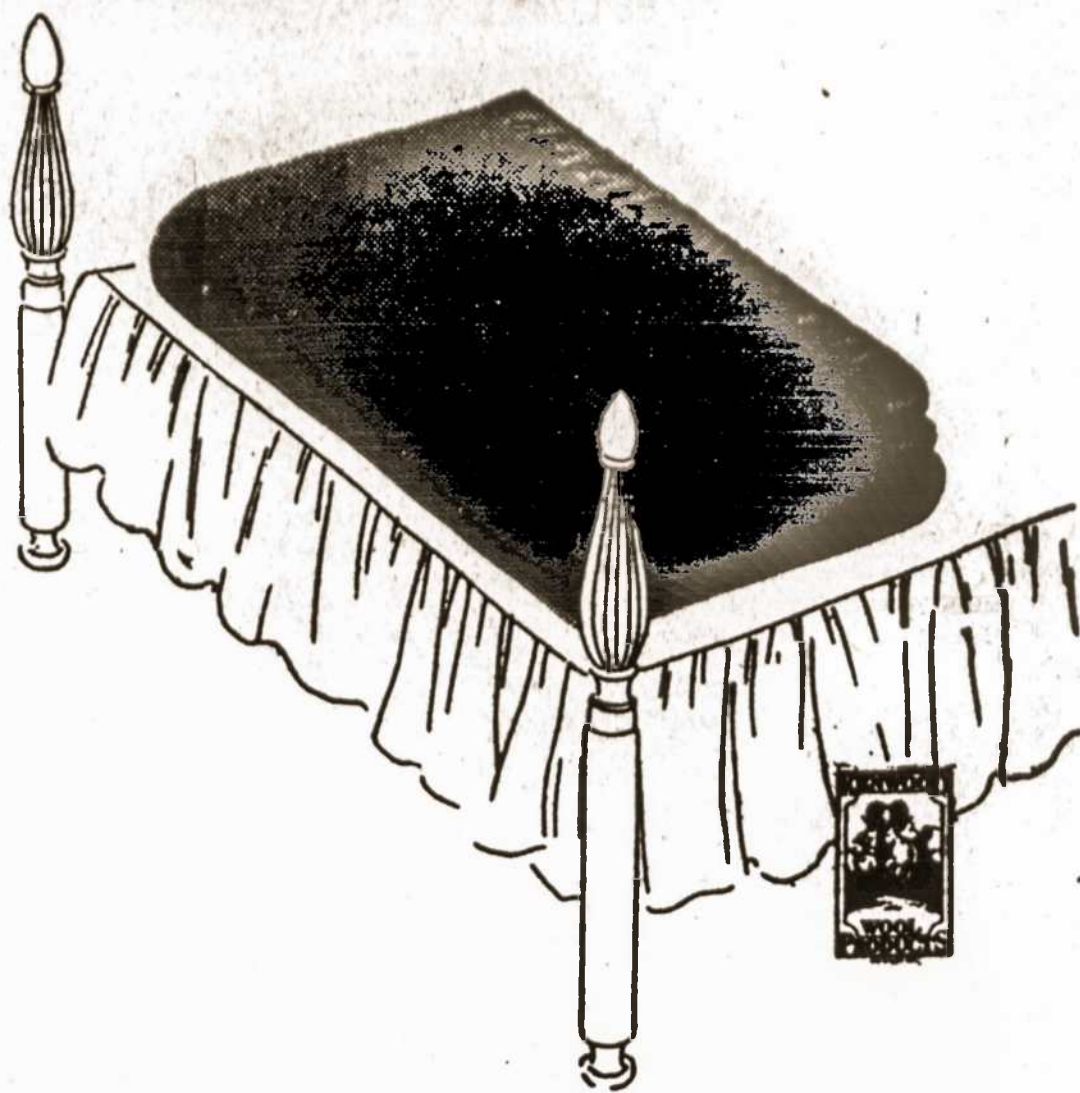
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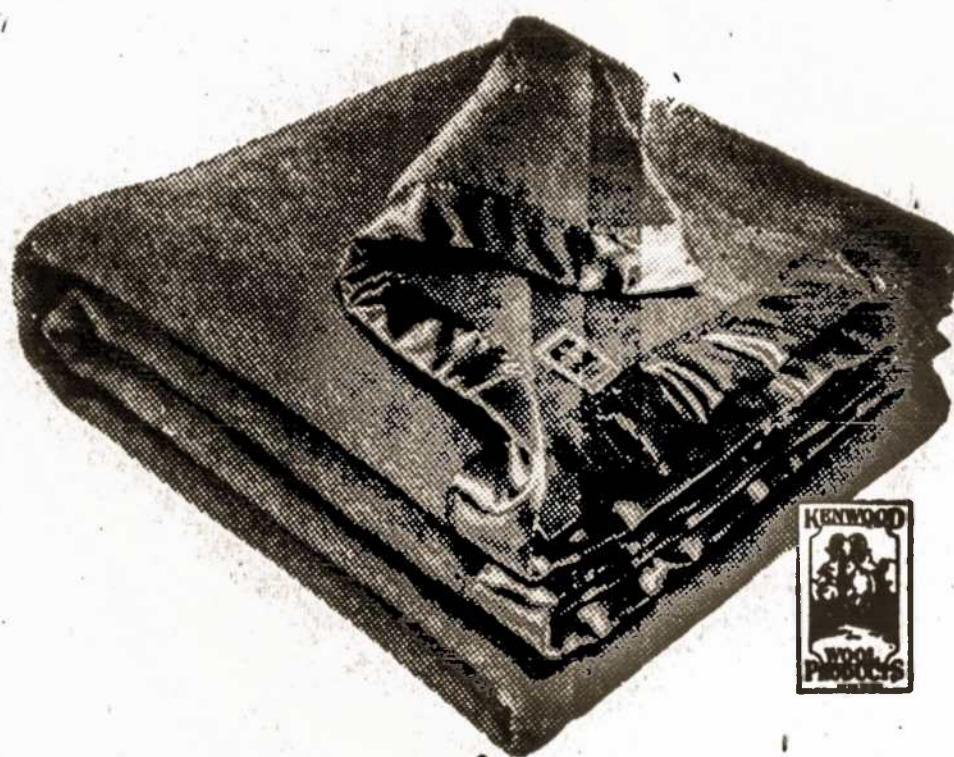
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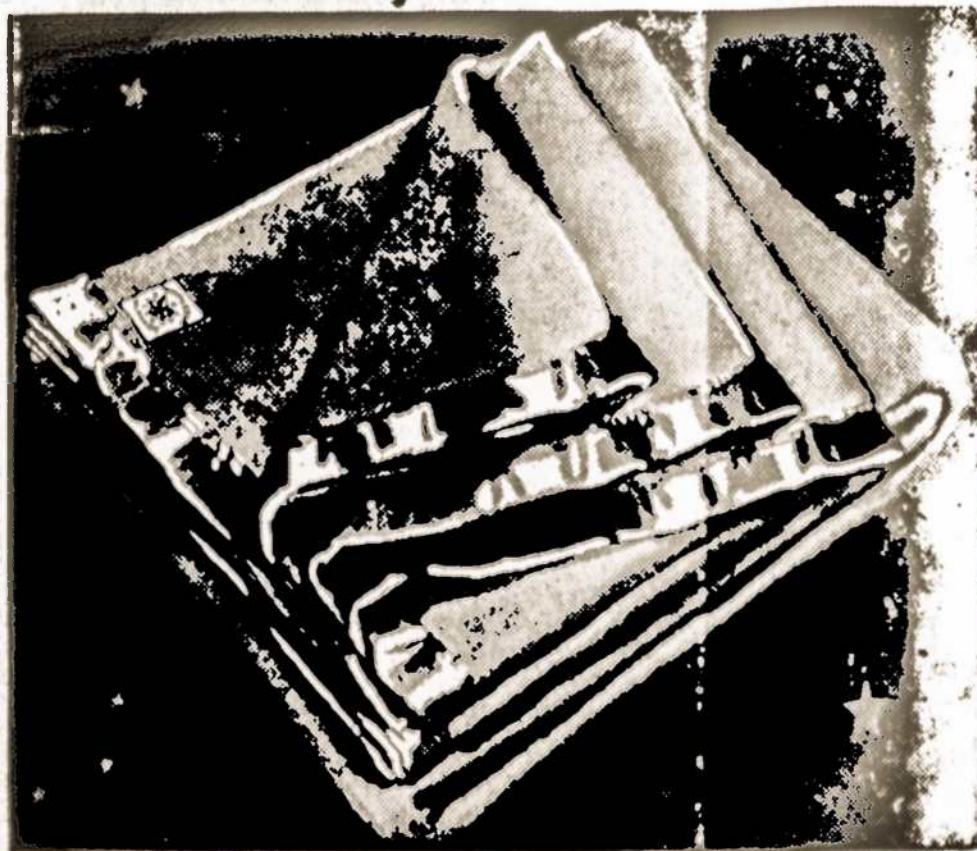
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Miss Ruth Card and Miss Gertrude Lauber of Elmhurst, N. Y., were at their cottage on Woodruff Way for a few days this week. They have rented for July but will return to occupy during August.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Huber have returned from their wedding trip through the West and are now at their cottage on Woodruff Way on the Ridge.

Mrs. Grace C. Cornell observed her 79th birthday on Tuesday last and friends extended best wishes and many greetings were received. Mrs. Cornell is still very active and entertains quite a few friends at her home during the summer.

Paul E. Bowman of the faculty of Mount Hermon School will again spend the summer at his home in Allentown, Pa.

The Misses Jennie and Ruth Johnson of Brooklyn, N. Y., will arrive to open their cottage on the Ridge early next week. They will spend the summer here.

Dr. Howard L. Rubendahl will deliver the Commencement address at the Northfield High School Friday night, June 20.

The graduating class of the Erving grade school at Millers Falls were served with a banquet at Picky's Grill as part of their festivities. After the dinner the class attended a movie in Greenfield.

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